

Brazil Study-Guide



Categorisation: Non-annex 1

Annual CO₂ emissions per capita in metric tons: 2.04

Most important industries:

- Agriculture
- Mining
- Industry: textiles, chemicals, lumber, iron ore, etc.

Individual specialities:

- Emits almost 3% of annual world greenhouse gas emissions
- Deforestation made up 44%, agriculture 28% and the energy sector 19% of Brazil's total emissions
- Amazon rainforest is cut down to make space for cattle
- Amazon rainforest is close to reaching a critical point beyond which the precipitation it generates will not be enough to sustain itself

Impact of Global Warming:

- Parts of Amazon River basin could turn into a savannah
- Temperatures and rainfall amounts are expected to become more volatile
- The climate would get hotter and drier => more wildfires

Current Governmental Policies:

- Brazil has committed to reducing emissions by 37% by 2025
- Jair Bolsonaro has said that foreigners should stop complaining about fires in the Amazon and accused them of a "brutal disinformation campaign"